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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Amend claims 3-7, 11, 13-15, 21, and 23-26 as follows:

1. (Reiterated) Electronic component, particularly a surface-mountable radiation-emitting and/or radiation-sensitive electro-optical component (1), with a plastic housing (10) that includes at least one metallic soldering area (4), characterized in that the surface of the plastic housing (10), except for the metallic soldering area (4), is at least partially covered by an anti-solder coating (6).
2. (Reiterated) Electronic component as in Claim 1, characterized in that the anti-solder coating (6) essentially consists of siloxane.
3. (Amended) Electronic component as in Claim 1, characterized in that the anti-solder coating (6) essentially consists of polysiloxane.

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